

DISASTER NEWS

Loans for Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of All Sizes
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Hours of Operation for SBA Center to Include Saturdays

ATLANTA –The U.S. Small Business Administration announced today that the hours of operation for its Disaster Loan Outreach Center in Big Rapids, Michigan will now include Saturdays, March 9 and March 16. The Center provides one-on-one assistance to homeowners, renters and business of all sizes seeking disaster assistance for losses caused by Hurricane Sandy.

The center location and hours of operation are as follows:

Mecosta County

Big Rapids Department of Public Safety (*Conference Room*)
435 North Michigan Avenue
Big Rapids, MI 49307

Opens: Thursday, March 7 at 8 a.m.

Hours: Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Saturdays from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Closes: Wednesday, March 20 at the close of business

Applicants may also apply online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via SBA's secure website at https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela.

Additional information on the disaster loan program can be obtained by calling SBA's Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 for the deaf and hard-of-hearing) or by sending an email to <u>disastercustomerservice@sba.gov</u>. Loan application forms can be downloaded from www.sba.gov.

The deadline to return applications for physical property damage is <u>May 3, 2013</u>. The deadline to return economic injury applications is **December 4, 2013**.

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For more information about the SBA's Disaster Loan Program, visit our website at www.sba.gov.